

# MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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Magi No. 0811985404  
File 6-134

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

### 1 NAME

HISTORIC

McMaster's Delight

AND/OR COMMON

McMaster-Nesbitt House

### 2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Firetower Road

CITY, TOWN

Port Deposit

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

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STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Cecil

### 3 CLASSIFICATION

#### CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

☐ STRUCTURE

☐ SITE

☐ OBJECT

#### OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

☐ BOTH

#### PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS

☐ BEING CONSIDERED

#### STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

☐ UNOCCUPIED

☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

#### ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED

☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED

☐ NO

#### PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE

☐ COMMERCIAL

☐ EDUCATIONAL

☐ ENTERTAINMENT

☐ GOVERNMENT

☐ INDUSTRIAL

☐ MILITARY

☐ MUSEUM

☐ PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

☐ RELIGIOUS

☐ SCIENTIFIC

☐ TRANSPORTATION

☐ OTHER:

### 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

JAMES AND MARY CRAFT

Telephone #: 378-3258

STREET & NUMBER

32 West Hill Road

CITY, TOWN

Conowingo

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21918

### 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

### 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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**CONDITION**☐ EXCELLENT☒ GOOD☐ FAIR☐ DETERIORATED☐ RUINS☐ UNEXPOSED**CHECK ONE**☐ UNALTERED☒ ALTERED**CHECK ONE**☒ ORIGINAL SITE☐ MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE***McMASTER*

The Nesbitt ~~McMaster~~ House c. 1830-1840 is a two story three bay by one room seven course common bond brick structure on Waibel Road and west of Battle Swamp. The house faces west with the main gable running north/south.

The brick main block rests on a raised fieldstone foundation that is fully exposed on the east side since the house is built on a east slope. A shed porch kitchen wing is attached to the east side.

The main elevation (west) has a central entrance with a 6/6 sash on each side. Three 6/6 sash windows light the second floor. The surrounds consist of a half round molding. A corbelled brick cornice replaced a boxed cornice. Basement windows light the cellar and are cut through below each first floor window. A shed porch once stretched across the main elevation at one time and the iron porch braces remain fastened in the brick wall.

The gable end brick walls are basically plain with a four pane attic light flanking an interior end brick chimney. A beaded bargeboard closes the gable end of the medium sloped composition shingle roof. A larger brick stack rises out of the south end. The shed addition is frame and is supported by a concrete foundation. The frame is covered with horizontal weatherboards.

The interior of this house was not seen at time of survey.

**CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The two story three bay by one room form is one of the most widely used house forms in the county. They all vary in some way or another and this structure unlike most is built of brick.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Paul B. Touart Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Cecil County Courthouse

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Cecil county Committee

CITY OR TOWN

Elkton

DATE

10/6/81

TELEPHONE

398-0200

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

D.F. Nesbitt 1877 - APPEARS ON LAKE GRIFFING AND STEVENSON ATLAS

NDS 1/573	Russell W. Waibel Sr. & Dorothy T. To Clarence McCall
WAS 288/71	Waibel, Inc. To
4/20/1972	Russell W. Waibel & Dorothy
RRC 113/150	Russell Waibel & Dorothy T. To
9/10/1954	Waibel Inc.
RRC 113/147	Port Realty Co. To Russell Waibel
RRC 77/267	Aberdeen Sand & Gravel Corp. To
5/15/1952	Port Realty Co.
RRC 3/304	George A. Atkinson To Grantors Above
SRA 10/23	Arthur Frams Nesbitt To
4/9/1930	George A. Atkinson 11 Acres more or less
Liber M20/23	David F. Nesbitt - died in June 1910 To Arthur F. Nesbitt 11 Acres
HHM 2/182	Alex. McMaster & Robert McMASTER To
9/24/1853	David F. Nesbitt \$500.00
	"McMaster's Delight" - Devised to Grantors by Father, Robert McMaster
REFERENCE TO	Mr. Jonathan Nesbitt's Wheel Wright Shop
1867 Tax Assess	— David F. Nesbitt 2 Acres brick Dwelling \$500

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Rising Sun Camp



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McMASTER'S DELIGHT  
NORTHWEST ELEV.

NR COCORA

3/79 PBT

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